

**KEVIN ALFORD, Individually; and
JULIE E. ALFORD, Individually, and as
Guardian *Ad Litem* for TAMEKA SHERRILL,**

Plaintiffs,

Vs.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Defendant.

THIS MATTER is before the court on defendant's Brief of the United States Regarding Plaintiffs' Request for a Jury Trial (#18), which the court deems to be a Motion to Strike Jury Demand and supporting brief, made pursuant to instructions contained at page 8, paragraph IX, of the first Pretrial Order and Case management Plan. Plaintiff have not briefed the issue. For the reasons provided in the defendant's brief, plaintiffs' demand for a jury trial will be stricken and the court will deem this to be a non-jury matter.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that plaintiffs' demand for a jury trial **STRICKEN**, and this action shall be deemed to be a non-jury matter.

Dennis E. Howell

